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Applicant : Stordeur, et al.
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VIVO NUCLEIC ACID LEVELS
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
VERIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 (f)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned U.S. application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.